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REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed October 9, 2001 and the Advisory Action mailed April 5, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows. A Request for Continued Examination is being submitted herewith.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 1 and 8 by rewriting the same as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A damascene interconnection comprising:
an interconnection trench formed in an insulating film and a pad trench
communicating therewith;

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